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1. K. L. MURRAY OF GRAIN AND FEED DIVISION FAS/USDA
PLANNING TRAVEL TO MOROCCO, TUNISIA AND ALGERIA TO
APPRAISE AREA'S 1976 WHEAT CROP AND WHEAT IMPORT
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE 1976/77 SEASON (BOTH
FROM U.S. AND OTHER SOURCES).

2. MURRAY'S TENTATIVE SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

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RABAT	MAY 3 (A.M.)	MAY 7 (A.M.)
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ALGIERS	MAY 7 (A.M.)	MAY 13 (A.M.)
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TUNIS	MAY 13 (A.M.)	MAY 15 (A.M.)
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3. ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAVEL INCLUDE APPRAISAL OF LONGER TERM OUTLOOK FOR WHEAT IMPORT REQUIREMENTS OF THE AREA AND DISCUSSION OF SUPPLY AGREEMENTS THESE COUNTRIES HAVE ARRANGED WITH OTHER SUPPLIERS.

4. MURRAY IS PREPARED TO BRIEF CONTACTS ON U.S. WHEAT SUPPLY SITUATION AND OUTLOOK FOR WORLD WHEAT SITUATION IN 1976/77.

5. MURRAY VISITED ALGIERS IN MAY 1974 AND IS ON FRIENDLY BASIS OF ESSEMIANI OF ONIC. PERHAPS ONIC WOULD BE AMENABLE TO ASSISTING IN SOME FIELD TRAVEL TO OBSERVE WHEAT CROP.

6. MAIN CONTACTS FOR DESIRED INFORMATION PROBABLY WITH NATIONAL CEREALS OFFICES IN RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES, BUT WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS ON OTHER CONTACTS. BESIDES ALGERIA, FIELD TRAVEL TO WHEAT PRODUCTION AREA WOULD ALSO BE DESIRABLE IN MOROCCO.

7. FIRM TRAVEL SCHEDULE FOR MURRAY SHOULD BE AVAILABLE TO YOU IN ABOUT ONE WEEK.
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